Formation of African Borders
Superimposed Boundary

- A political boundary placed by powerful outsiders on a developed human landscape
  - Most of Africa’s borders created by European colonial powers
Types of Borders in Africa

- **Geometric Borders**
  - Straight lines that create separation and are unrelated to landforms or culture
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- Ethnic Borders
  - Borders that attempt to reflect the cultural differences of the people living in a particular area
    - Often leave to ethnic enclaves and exclaves
- Religious/Language Borders
  - Boundaries that divide different religious groups or language families